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**SUBJECT: Lakefront superfund site topic of two information sessions**

**Ashland, WI** – The Ashland – Northern States Power Lakefront Superfund Site is the topic of two public information sessions hosted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. The meetings take place on Oct. 17 and Oct. 25 at 6 p.m. at the AmericInn in Ashland.

Staff from both agencies will be available to discuss site issues before and after the meeting.

On October 17, staff from the two agencies along with Department of Health and Family Services will provide information about conditions at the site based on the findings of the recently completed remedial investigation. That study included an evaluation of human health and ecological risks and the extent of contamination in Kreher Park, groundwater, and Chequamegon Bay. The City of Ashland will also present a summary of their waterfront development plan.

The October 25 session includes an overview of clean-up options that have been used at sites similar to the Ashland site and a description of the nine evaluation criteria the agencies must use when evaluating and selecting a clean-up plan. Attendees will be asked to participate in small group sessions and identify additional factors they would like the EPA, DNR and Northern States Power of Wisconsin to consider during the evaluation process.

For more information or special accommodations, contact John Robinson, DNR, at 715-365-8976 or [john.robinson@wisconsin.gov](mailto:john.robinson@wisconsin.gov); or Briana Bill, EPA community involvement coordinator, at 312-353-6646 or 800-621-8431, ext. 3-6646 or [bill.briana@epa.gov](mailto:bill.briana@epa.gov). Information on the site including the remedial investigation report will be posted on EPA's Web site: [www.epa.gov/region5/sites/ashland](http://www.epa.gov/region5/sites/ashland), and will be available at the Vaughn Public Library, 502 W. Main St., Ashland.

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